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Fred Pierre-Louis Named to State African American Affairs Commission



State Rep. Donald Sherer, R-147th, Stamford, New Canaan, announced that Stamford resident Fred Pierre-Louis has been appointed to the Connecticut African American Affairs Commission.

House Minority Leader Robert M. Ward, R-86th, Northford, made the appointment to the thirteen member

commission.

Rep. Sherer said, "How pleased I am to have another qualified Stamford person appointed to a state commission, as this helps provide influence for this part of the state. I commend Fred Pierre-Louis for his commitment to public service going back to when he ran for the Stamford Board of Education."

Pierre-Louis has many years of managerial and business development experience with expertise in computer sciences. He is a science instructor teaching chemistry at J. M. Wright Technical High School in Stamford and a part-time chemistry teacher for the Adult Continuing Education Department of the City of Stamford.

He holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry and an EMBA degree from the University of Connecticut. He has a diploma in computer technology studies from Computer Programming Institute in Bridgeport. He has completed an Advanced Minority Business Executive Program at Amos Tuck School of Business Administration. He has completed a six-year degree in secondary education at the University of Bridgeport. He is competing a doctorate degree in educational leadership at the University of Hartford.

In the community, he is a Justice of the Peace and was a candidate for the Stamford Board of Education in 2004. He is former secretary of the Haitian American Professional Association of Connecticut and the current chairman of the Haitian Community Center of Stamford. He also worked as a computer technology teacher at the Urban League of Southwestern Connecticut in Stamford. He has served as a member of the Minority Input Committee of the Connecticut Supplier Diversity Council for more than two years. He has served as a board member at Bethany Church for three years and as the vice chairman of the board for one year.

Background on the commission

Created by the legislature in 1997, the commission is required to review and comment on any proposed state legislation and regulations that would affect the African-American population in the state.

It also must advise and provide information to the Governor on the state's policies concerning the African-American communities, advise the Governor concerning the coordination and administration of state programs serving the African-American population and maintain a liaison between the African-American communities and governmental entities;

The commission also encourages African-American representation at all levels of state government, including state boards and commissions; it secures appropriate recognition of the accomplishments and contributions of the African-American population of the state.

Also, the commission prepares and submits to the Governor an annual report concerning its activities with any appropriate recommendations concerning the African-American population of the state.

Rep. Sherer serves the 147th Assembly District of Stamford and New Canaan in the state House of Representatives.